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#### CONGRESS OF INSECTS FAVORS PREPAREDNESS

**Field and Orchard Pests Declare  
They can do \$15,000,000 Dam-  
age to Missouri's Crops.**

In a bush and weed covered ravine, near an unsprayed unpruned and neglected orchard, the Annual Field and Orchard Insect Congress of Missouri was held recently.

The following officers were elected for the coming year: President, Hessian Fly; Vice-president, San Jose Scale; Secretary-Treasurer, Chinch Bug. Other delegates were: Army Worm, Corn Root Louse, White Grub, Wire Worm, Cut Worm, Corn Ear Worm, Codling moth, Curculio, Fruit tree borer and Bark Beetle. At the close of the meeting resolutions were adopted declaring that field and orchard insects in Missouri are capable of doing \$15,000,000 damage to Missouri crops this year. Each delegate promised to return to his own field and begin his work of cutting down the farmers' crop profits.

It was admitted by the committee on preparedness, headed by the Hessian Fly, that if the farmers of the state who attended the recent annual Farmers' Week at the University of Missouri at Columbia made use of their knowledge of how to combat the pests, the insects could have little effect on the orchards and fields.

The committee recommended that destructive operations be carried on places where farmers had become discouraged because their sprays, made of strong lime-sulphur and miscible oils, had been used with little or no effect. San Jose Scale, however,

admitted that his tribe could accomplish nothing where farmers used sprays at their proper strength and did their work thoroughly.

Farmers who hold to the theory that "We have always had insects, they will always be here, there is no use trying to fight them; just depend upon the weather and the Lord," were especially commended by the insect convention. The bugs admit that, with the farmer who takes his work seriously and who is determined to win, their chances for destruction of crop is very small.

Mrs. B. F. Grogan went to Kansas City Sunday morning for a visit.

#### Something Good

Those who hate nasty medicine should try Chamberlain's Tablets for constipation. They are pleasant to take and their effect is so agreeable and so natural that you will not realize that it has been produced by a medicine obtainable everywhere.

Drs. C. W. Johnson and B. T. Payne went to Kansas City Tuesday morning to spend the day on business.

#### The Best Recommendation

The strongest recommendation any article may receive is a favorable word from the user. It is the recommendations of those who have used it that makes Chamberlain's Cough Remedy so popular. Mrs. Amanda Gierhart, Waynesfield, Ohio, writes, "Chamberlain's Cough Remedy has been used in my family off and on for twenty years and it has never failed to cure a cough or cold." Obtainable everywhere.

#### "FIREPROOF" IS ONLY A NAME

**No Form of Construction Yet  
Devised Really Defies the  
Flames.**

Fireproof construction that is really fireproof remains an unsolved problem, in spite of the best efforts of our scientific men. Periodically a new "absolutely fireproof material or method" is announced, and frequently there is erected a building "guaranteed" to be impervious to fire; but when the test comes the result to all intents and purposes is the same—the flames prove again their claim to the descriptive adjective "all devouring." "Fireproof" structures that are not actually consumed crumble or collapse and are left ghastly ruins less susceptible of restoration and less capable of yielding salvage than buildings commonly regarded as being least resistant to fire. Fireproofing methods and the best of the least combustible materials unquestionably retard the spread of fires, but once the flames gain vigorous headway in any building, whatever the material used in its construction, the result is practical ruin of the structure. Steel is bent, twisted and otherwise contorted by fierce heat, and concrete, hailed a few years ago as a substance eternal before which the forces of nature were powerless, bursts, crumbles and falls to bits or remains a tottering and lifeless shell scarcely capable of supporting its own weight.

Thomas A. Edison, the wizard of invention, was for years an enthusiastic advocate of "fireproof" and otherwise "indestructible" concrete construction. He not only urged the general adoption of concrete in the construction of dwellings, exercising his inventive genius to design plans for such, but he favored the use of concrete furniture in his concrete houses. It is probable his opinions have undergone revision since the great fire in his factories at West Orange, New Jersey, last December when the loss exceeded five million dollars. Mr. Edison carried no insurance on his concrete buildings, because he had convinced himself they were fireproof. In its description of the fire the New York Herald of December 10 said:

"Although twelve of the buildings destroyed were of modern fireproof construction and supposedly fireproof, they furnished a lesson for architects and builders. Fireproof in themselves, because of the inflammable material they contained, and when the fire in them was at its height the cement framework of the structures became fairly incandescent in the heat, standing out as great glittering white frames and casting a tremendous heat throughout a wide radius.

"Frequently great chunks of superheated concrete would be cast off from the structure, and these chunks would crash to the ground and be shattered into thousands of fragments, each atom forming an incandescent spark that glittered brightly as it shot through the air like sparks from a blacksmith's anvil."

The further effect of the heat on the "fireproof" walls of the factory building was indicated by the following from the New York Journal of Commerce of December 11:

"No insurance was carried on the buildings of so-called fireproof construction. A fireman happened to lean against a thick and apparently strong concrete wall yesterday and it toppled over, giving him a bad scalp wound. Underwriters who saw the Edison concrete fireproof buildings burn think Mr. Edison is stronger on electricity than he is on fire engineering."

Such instances tend to strengthen the home builders' preference for wood construction. Rather than sacrifice the

#### Local Happenings

Mrs. William Barton returned to her home in Kansas City Sunday afternoon after a visit at the home of her brother, Walter B. Waddell.

Tom Price of Kansas City spent Sunday here with home folks.

W. T. Wernag spent Sunday in Higginsville.

Arthur Johns spent Sunday in Kansas City.

Miss Delia Trail of Kansas City spent Sunday here with home folks.

Mrs. M. T. Kelly and daughter, Marian, spent Sunday in Higginsville.

Gustav Haerle went to Kansas City Monday to spend the day on business.

Mrs. Howard Henry returned to Kansas City Monday after a visit here with her parents, Col. and Mrs. Oscar Andreen.

Joe Howe spent Sunday in Odesa.

D. F. Conrad went to Kansas City Monday to spend the day.

T. J. Ragland went to Kansas City Sunday evening on business.

Mrs. Forest Shelby and daughter, Mrs. J. S. Bell, of Bellwood, Nebr., went to Kansas City Monday morning for a visit.

Leroy Gray of Kansas City spent Sunday in Lexington.

Mrs. William Palmer returned Monday morning from a visit in Warrensburg.

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Mr. and Mrs. Z. A. Wright spent Sunday in Wellington.

Frank Bauers, Bob Semler and Martin Strovel went to Kansas City Tuesday morning to attend the automobile show.

#### Severe Cold Quickly Cured

"On December first I had a very severe cold or attack of the grip as it may be, and was nearly down sick in bed," writes O. J. Metcalf, Weatherby, Mo. "I bought two bottles of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and it was only a few days until I was completely restored to health. I firmly believe that Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is one of the very best medicines and will know what to do when I have another cold." Obtainable everywhere.

J. K. Leiter went to Kansas City Tuesday morning on business.

Mrs. J. C. McGrew went to Kansas City Tuesday for a few days visit.

#### For A Bilious Attack

When you have a severe headache, accompanied by a coated tongue, loathing of food, constipation, torpid liver, vomiting of partly digested food and then bile, you may know that you have a severe bilious attack. While you may be quite sick there is much consolation in knowing that relief may be had by taking three of Chamberlain's Tablets. They are prompt and effectual. Obtainable everywhere.

"homey-ness" of a house of wood with that materials comparatively low cost and easy-working qualities, to use of less combustible but by no means "fireproof" materials, he will minimize fire danger by the exercise of that fire preventative care habitual in his forefathers. Modern improvements on old methods usually are superior, but the fireproof feature of modern construction seems to have defied solution up to date.

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#### Prune Cake

Cream one-half cupful of butter and one-half cupful of lard in a mixing bowl; add the beaten yolks of four eggs, two cupfuls of cooked chopped prunes, one teaspoonful of powdered cinnamon, one teaspoonful of grated nutmeg, one teaspoonful of powdered cloves, one teaspoonful of powdered allspice, two teaspoonfuls of vanilla extract, two teaspoonfuls of baking soda mixed with eight tablespoonfuls of sour milk, and four cupfuls of flour sifted with one teaspoonful of baking powder. Mix carefully and add the stiffly beaten whites of the eggs. Bake in five layers. When ready and cold, put together with the following filling: Spread each layer with a mashed banana mixed with one-third cupful of powdered sugar.

Sprinkle the top of cake with chopped cocoanut.—From the People's Home Journal for February.

President Wilson wants to take the tariff issue out of politics by turning the matter over to a tariff commission. Might as well dispose of the old stand-pat bugaboo that way as any, seeing that nobody is going to pay any attention to the tariff talkers this year anyway. The issue this year revolves around upholding Wilson's peace with adequate national defense.

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